REMARKS

Summary Of The Office Action & Formalities

Claims 1-15 are all the claims pending in the application. By this Amendment, Applicants are canceling claims 10, 11, 14, and 15.

Without agreeing to or substantively commenting on the merits of the Examiner's current rejections, and in order to expedite issuance of a reissue patent with the currently allowed claims, Applicant is canceling claims 10, 11, 14, and 15, thereby rendering the rejection of these claims moot.

Claims 1-9, 12, and 13 are allowed.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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